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We are enclosing herewith copies of the filing receipt and pages 1-2 of a Preliminary Amendment filed January 5, 2006 for the above-identified patent application.

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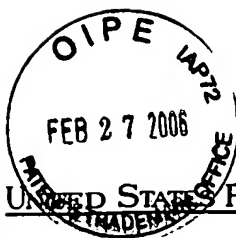
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

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## Title

Method and device for assigning weighting coefficients for performing attitude calculations with a star sensor

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serge Potteck

Application No. 10/549,737

Filed: September 19, 2005

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR ASSIGNING  
WEIGHTING COEFFICIENTS FOR  
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WITH A STAR SENSOR

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to initiation of the prosecution of the above-identified pending U.S. patent application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Application No.: 10/549,737

Docket No.: REGIM 3.3-065

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the original title and substitute the following title:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSIGNING WEIGHTING COEFFICIENTS  
FOR PERFORMING ATTITUDE CALCULATIONS WITH A STAR SENSOR**